

641—55.3 (135) Council established. The advisory council on brain injuries, part of the Iowa department of public health, is established pursuant to Iowa Code section 135.22A.

55.3(1) The council shall consist of a minimum of nine appointed members in addition to the ex officio members.

a. The following persons or their designees shall serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the council:

- (1) The director of public health.
- (2) The director of human services and any division administrators of the department of human services so assigned by the director.
- (3) The director of the department of education.
- (4) The chief of the special education bureau of the department of education.
- (5) The administrator of the division of vocational rehabilitation services of the department of education.
- (6) The director of the department for the blind.
- (7) The commissioner of insurance.

b. Appointed members.

(1) Insofar as practicable, the council shall include persons with brain injuries; family members of persons with brain injuries; representatives of industry, labor, business, and agriculture; representatives of federal, state, and local government; and representatives of religious, charitable, fraternal, civic, educational, medical, legal, veteran, welfare, and other professional groups and organizations.

(2) Members shall be appointed to represent every geographic area of the state and shall include members of both sexes.

55.3(2) Appointed members' terms shall be for two years.

55.3(3) Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointments were made for the balance of the unexpired term.

55.3(4) Members whose terms expire may be reappointed.